

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:	)	
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Wolfgang OTTER et al.	)	Group Art Unit: 2176
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Application No.: 09/872,515	)	Examiner: HILLERY, Nathan
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Filed: June 1, 2001	)	
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For: DEFINING FORM FORMATS	)	Confirmation No.: 1508
WITH LAYOUT ITEMS THAT	)	
PRESENT DATA OF BUSINESS	)	
APPLICATION	)	

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Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 7 of this paper.